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THIRD INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed document is enclosed.

The listed document was cited in a Communication dated July 12, 2005, from the European Patent Office in a corresponding foreign application. A copy of the Communication is also enclosed.

It is noted that EP 0 764 527, also cited in the Communication, is not cited in this Information Disclosure Statement because it was already cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on July 22, 2003.

#### STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)

Each item of information in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing date of this Statement.

#### FORMAL MATTERS

In accordance with 37 C.F.R § 1.97, no fee is due with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

#### CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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